



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, the men and women of the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard respond immediately and effectively whenever they are called upon to defend our nation's security at home or abroad, placing national interests above their own; and

WHEREAS, the peace and prosperity our nation enjoys today are due to the efforts and sacrifices our military men and women and their families have endured; and

WHEREAS, today's veterans have educational and leadership skills, maturity and dedication to service fostered by their military experience and want to share these talents with Idaho's employers; and

WHEREAS, over 130,000 Idaho residents have military experience, including over 17,000 who are seeking employment within the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2007 to be

"HIRE A VETERAN FIRST" MONTH

in Idaho and call upon all our citizens to observe this month and all employers to recognize the special skills, abilities and advantages of hiring these veterans, and to provide jobs for these highly capable men and women



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at Boise, Idaho, on this 26th day of October in the year of our Lord two-thousand and seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-second and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred eighteenth.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "C.L. Butch Otter", is written over a horizontal line.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ben Ysursa", is written over a horizontal line.

BEN YSURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE